

\*\*\*\*\*October 28, 2019\*\*\*\*\*

The Signal Mountain Town Council held a regular meeting on Monday, October 28, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Hall. Those present were:

Those present were: Mayor Dan Landrum  
Councilmember Cheryl Graham  
Councilmember Bill Lusk  
Councilmember Susannah Murdock

Also present were: Town Manager Boyd Veal  
Town Attorney Harry Cash  
See attached list for others present

Mayor Landrum led the pledge of allegiance. A moment of silence was observed.

### Citizen Comments

Mayor Landrum invited comments from the audience.

Claire Griesinger, Carriage Hill, questioned the Council regarding her request for the Council and Walden's Ridge Utility District (WRUD) meet to discuss her belief that a different plan than that chosen by the Town would be a better choice for the water line interconnect. Town Manager, Boyd Veal, said that CTI Engineering has been notified and will contact WRUD and report back to the Town.

There being no further comments, the meeting resumed.

### Resolutions

1. "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR THE PUBLIC ENTITY PARTNERS "PROPERTY CONSERVATION" MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM."

Councilmember Graham made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilmember Murdock seconded the motion. All present being in favor, the motion was approved.

2. "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO PURCHASE ONE (1) 2019 NEW HOLLAND B95C BACKHOE, TENNESSEE STATE CONTRACT NUMBER 48451, FROM CHATTANOOGA TRACTOR AND EQUIPMENT, CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE, FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED NINETY- FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$95,000.00) TO BE USED BY THE WATER DEPARTMENT FOR THE TOWN OF SIGNAL MOUNTAIN."

Councilmember Lusk made a motion to amend the ordinance to increase the total purchase cost of the machine to not to exceed \$95,000.00. Councilmember Graham seconded the motion. All present being in favor, the motion was approved.

Councilmember Lusk made a motion to approve the amended resolution. Councilmember Graham seconded the motion. All present being in favor, the motion to approve the amended resolution was approved.

### **Ordinances**

1. "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE SIGNAL MOUNTAIN MUNICIPAL CODE, TITLE 8, ENTITLED "ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES" BY DELETING CHAPTERS 1 AND 2 IN THEIR ENTIRETY AND REPLACING THEM WITH NEW CHAPTERS 1 AND 2 AND ADDING CHAPTER 3."

Councilmember Lusk made a motion to approve the second reading of the ordinance. Councilmember Murdock seconded the motion. All present being in favor, the second reading of the ordinance was approved.

2. "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE SIGNAL MOUNTAIN MUNICIPAL CODE, TITLE 11, CHAPTER 2, SECTION 11-201, ENTITLED "PROCESSING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ON TOWN PROPERTY."

Councilmember Graham made a motion to approve the second reading of the ordinance. Councilmember Murdock seconded the motion. All present being in favor, the second reading of the ordinance was approved.

### **Discussion**

- a. Close Out of James Blvd. Project. Ron Key, Engineer for CTI Engineering informed the Town that the contractor had performed costly correction to the surface of the newly constructed James Boulevard. After discussion, the Council unanimously agreed to release the final funding and to close out the project.
- b. Barbeque/Smoker Structure at Althaus Park. Mayor Landrum informed the Council that the Lions Club has requested changes at Althaus Park to allow for a larger clean-up area and additional storage. Mr. Veal read a letter from the Lions Club (see attached), and Ralph Mann, representing the Lions Club, answered questions from the Council. After discussions, the Council asked Mr. Veal to work with the Lions Club to see if the old pool house structures they are currently using at the top of the park can be modified to their needs.
- c. Vicious Dog Ordinance. Mr. Veal presented the Council copies of the Town's current vicious dog ordinance. He requested they review the ordinance and provide any comments or suggestions to him. Mr. Veal will have a draft prepared for Council review in the next few meetings.

### **Tentative Agenda**

Council discussed a tentative agenda for the November 11, 2019 meeting.

### Other Business

Councilmember Murdock asked the other Council members their thoughts on a letter sent to them by Hamilton County, District #2 Commissioner, Chip Baker. Council discussed Mr. Baker's suggestion that the Town join with the other governmental entities on Signal Mountain with a goal of seeking agreement and accord for a future cohesive vision of the mountain top. Mayor Landrum suggested inviting Mr. Baker to a future Council meeting.

Mr. Veal informed the Council that, Special Projects Compliance Manager, Sam Guin, along with other staff, have prepared the American Disabilities Act (ADA) transition plan. Mr. Veal said the ADA transition plan will be sent to Council in advance of the next meeting for their consideration. Mr. Veal said a Resolution will be prepared for Council approval.

Mr. Veal advised the Council that the Local Parks & Recreation Fund (LPRF) grant the Town applied for has been awarded. He said the acceptance requires the Mayor's signature. Mayor Landrum requested a refresher on the cost and scope of the project at the next meeting.

Mr. Veal told the Council that the State has approved the Town's request to place a highway historic marker at the Coolidge Monument project site. He said the language for the marker is being currently reviewed by the Army and the family. He will bring updates to the Council as they occur.

At the request of Mayor Landrum, Anne Hagood, James Boulevard, spoke as a member of the Tree Board. She informed the Council that the Tree Board celebrated Arbor Day with all three elementary schools. She said they planted 9 trees total.

Mayor Landrum said the Recreation Board had met this week and will be opening discussions with the sports leagues.

Councilmember Graham said the volunteers continue to work on the Mountain Arts Community Center (MACC) theater. She said new lights have been added and the old ceiling has been removed. Councilmember Graham said the ceiling at the front entrance is falling down.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:59 p.m.



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Dan Landrum, Mayor



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Recorder